



The C A S E of the Hackney Coachmen that formerly presented their Case, humbly praying that the Oppression of the City of *London* might be taken off, Humbly presented to the Parliament.

TH A T in all humility We do most humbly give thanks for that part of the Vote of *Saturday* the 23^d. day of *January* 1691. Wherein amongst other things it is Resolv'd. 10. That every Person keeping any Hackney Coach or Coaches, do for every Coach so kept pay the Summe of 1*l*. 5*s*. Quarterly for one Year, which we are very willing to performe.

T H A T since that time there have been a Case Printed setting forth that in the 13th. and 14th. of King *Charles* the Second only 400 Coaches were Lyncenced at 5*l*. *per annum* each.

A N S W E R E that there are not 200 of those Coachmen or their Widdowes now living and duely qualified.

It is also further Alleaged in that Case, that by reason of the great increase of Hackney Coaches, Gentlemens Coaches, and Coaches that drive short Stages and Chaires, 'tis imposible for them to live much less to pay 5*l*. *per annum*.

A N S W E R E that those 1 very Persons in King *James's* time 1688. did Voluntarily pay 7*l*. 10*s*. *per annum* (tho' they now complaine of being ruind by 5*l*. *per annum*) besides severall great Summes of money before and since that time to the City of *London*, and also putting themselves to great Charges in hiring men to Sweare Indictments and suppress Us that were duely qualified.

It is further desired in theirs that it may not exceed the Number of 500 the 400 to be prefer'd, upon which they will pay 6*l*. to be disposed of as shall be thought convenient.

A N S W E R E that we humbly submit to the Parliament to Lycence such number as they shall think fit (not limiting the Parliament) And that the Money so raised may be disposed off, as the Parliament shall think fit, and not a few private persons.

Note That there are also many Vintners, Alehousekeepers Coachmakers and severall other Trades and callings that pretend to have a Coach Lycence, but many of them have neither Coaches nor Horses at all. How then can they be ruin'd by this Resolve. As they pretend.

A L L Which we humbly Submitt to the Honourable Parliament Humbly Praying that such Persons as are duely Qualified and have Coaches and Horses of their Own, and no other Trades or Callings to live upon, may continue their employments to support themselves and Families.